

Lee County Utilities Authority

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**Regular Scheduled Meeting
6:00 P.M. Thursday, June 16, 2022
Page Tharp Governmental Building
Opal Cannon Auditorium
102 Starksville Avenue North
Leesburg, Georgia**

MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Lee County Utilities Authority met for their regular scheduled meeting on June 16, 2022. The meeting was held in the Opal Cannon Auditorium of the Page Tharp Governmental building in Leesburg, Georgia. Those present were Chairman George Walls, Vice Chairman Ed Duffy, Board members Art Ford, Troy Golden, Victor Stubbs, and Johnny Barthlein. Also present were Chris Boswell, General Manager and Tricia Harris, Director of Administrative Operations, and Kelvin Seagraves, Engineer of Hofstadter and Associates. Not present was Levent Gokcen. Chairman George Walls called the meeting to order at 6:00P.M.

2. INVOCATION

Chris Boswell, General Manager, led the invocation.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the May 19, 2022 meetings minutes

Victor Stubbs made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 19, 2022 meeting. Johnny Barthlein seconded the motion. Voting yea were Ed Duffy, Art Ford, Johnny Barthlein, Troy Golden, and Victor Stubbs with no opposing votes. Motion passed.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion/Approval of FY 2022/23 Authority Budget

The FY 2022/23 budget was presented in the amount of \$4,358,000. The Board discussed options to train staff and possible contracts for new hires for testing and retention requirements.

Johnny Barthlein made a motion to approve the Utilities Authority FY 2022-2023 budget for \$4,358,000. Ed Duffy seconded the motion. Voting yea were Ed Duffy, Art Ford, Johnny Barthlein, Troy Golden, and Victor Stubbs with no opposing votes. Motion passed.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Authority Discussion of Selection of Engineering Services for the Kinchafoonee Creek Water Pollution Control Plant Improvement/Repairs

After a brief discussion on the lack of interest the board extended the request time by another 30 days. Johnny Barthlein made a motion to set the acceptable engineering fee to 7% and construction observation to 3%. Art Ford seconded the motion. Voting yea were Ed Duffy, Art Ford, Johnny Barthlein, Troy Golden, and Victor Stubbs with no opposing votes. Motion passed.

6. **PUBLIC PERIOD TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

8. **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Kelvin Seagraves of Hofstadter Engineering requested permission to bill for an extra \$21,000 due to the increase in work that the Lovers Lane well construction delays had cost his firm. The Board advised him to submit invoices for review at the next meeting.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Ed Duffy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 P.M. Victor Stubbs seconded the motion. Voting yea were Ed Duffy, Troy Golden, Art Ford, Johnny Barthlein and Victor Stubbs with no opposing votes. Motion passed.



Tricia Holmes, Secretary/Treasurer

Adopted, August 18th, 2022